

City Manager's Report

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA

October 30, 2020

HBFD Response to the Silverado Fires

On the morning of October 26, the Silverado Fire broke out in Orange County. As of late Monday, more than 90,000 residents in the Irvine and Lake Forest communities were required to evacuate and seek shelter. To support the fire response, the Huntington Beach Fire Department sent a total of three fire engines which includes 12 Firefighters and 1 Battalion Chief. Firefighters battled fires in affected neighborhoods to protect homes and the adjacent wildland, assisting our local Orange County communities and agencies.

We would also like to recognize the two Firefighters from the Orange County Fire Authority who were gravely injured on the first day of the fires. Our thoughts are with them, their families, their crew members, and the entire fire service community. These Firefighters continue to be hospitalized at a local hospital and have suffered severe burns. (Continued on page 10)



Public Information Office

Voting 2020 — Your Vote Matters

Elections are no longer a one-day event. Voting begins the month before any election day when all registered voter receive a ballot in the mail. Submit your ballot via one of the following options: US Postal Service, Orange County Ballot Drop Box, or In-Person Vote Center.

Vote Centers are NOW open for in-person voting through November 3 at 8PM! Cast your ballot at any of the Huntington Beach Vote Center locations below, or visit www.OCVote.com for a complete listing of all locations throughout the County.



Public Information Office

Tip, Toss + Take Action!

The invasive *Aedes* mosquito now resides in every Orange County city, and we need your help to Tip, Toss + Take Action to combat these aggressive day biting mosquitoes.



Here's how to Tip, Toss + Take Action!

- Many mosquitoes breed in small water sources in residential backyards and do not fly far
 from the source. Eliminating these small water sources can reduce the number of
 mosquitoes on your property. Search around your property for any standing water
 and discard unused containers. Be sure to scrub unused containers thoroughly to remove
 mosquito eggs.
- Prevent mosquitoes from entering your home by keeping doors and windows closed. If windows and doors must be kept open, ensure your window and door screens are free of holes or tears.
- Wear an EPA-approved insect repellent to keep mosquitoes from biting you and your family.

Did you know? Mosquitoes are responsible for more human deaths than any other animal in the world.

Public Information Office



Show your HB pride by purchasing OneHB merchandise at **shop.onehb.org**.

From sweatshirts to caps, we've got everything you need to run around town, doing errands or visiting the beach.

Proceeds from all merchandise sales and direct donations will support our OneHB Business Support Grants - a community campaign to provide \$5,000 micro-grants to help small businesses keep their doors open during and after COVID-19.

For more information about the OneHB program, visit www.onehb.org. We recently awarded our first round of 20 grants, and applications for the second round will be released when sufficient funds are available.

Public Works Department

Chevron Pipeline Repair Work Completed at Central Park



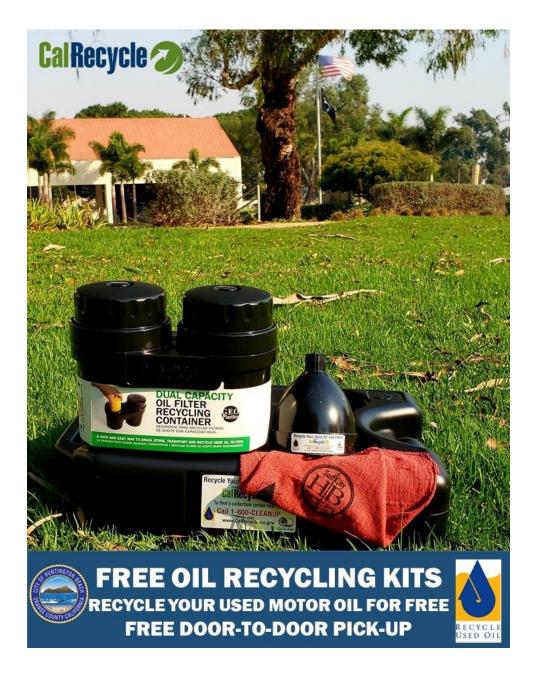
Chevron has completed the repair of their eight-inch steel product pipeline at Central Park. The project was completed in just two weeks as there were no issues with the repair. The City is working with Chevron to reseed the lawn, and the fence will remain temporarily as they work to restore the lawn.

Public Works Department

Free Oil Recycling Kits

Did you know that used motor oil never wears out? It just gets dirty and can be recycled and used again. Motor oil poured onto the ground or into storm drains or tossed into trash cans (even in sealed containers) can contaminate and pollute the soil and our water. Recycling your used motor oil reduces this pollution threat, protects the environment and conserves a valuable resource. Now, that's a winning combination!

To request a free Oil Recycling Kit, click here.



Police Department

Safely Dispose Unused Medications



If you missed out on our recent "Drug Take Back" event and need to safely dispose unwanted or unused medication, please drop them off at one of several Huntington Beach businesses that offer medication drop boxes.

Location	Address	Phone*
Walgreens	19001 Brookhurst St.	714-593-1352
Vons	8891 Atlanta Ave	714-960-4747
CVS	19121 Beach Blvd.	714-848-1522
Albertsons	19640 Beach Blvd.	714-964-7979
Albertsons	7201 Yorktown Ave	714-536-6449
Albertsons	16600 Bolsa Chica	714-846-1381

^{*}Before you swing by, please call ahead to ensure they will receive your medication type.

Library Services Department



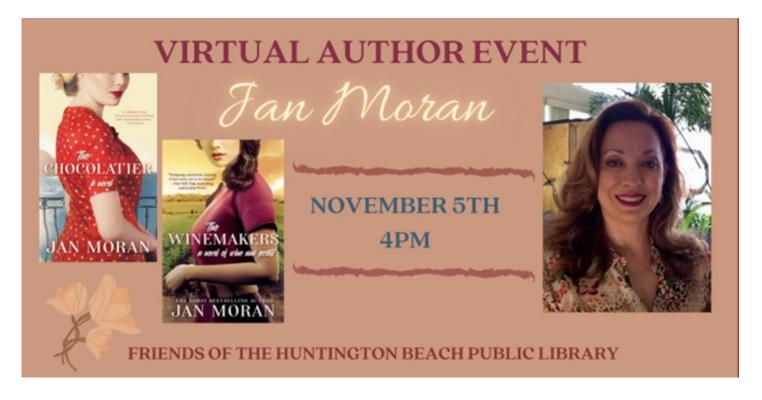
Teen Try It Activity Kits: International Games Week, November 9-14: -- Try it Kits for Teens ages 11-18 are back for fall 2020! These bi-weekly kits give teens a hands-on break, in order to encourage creativity, self-discovery, and stepping out of their comfort zone. They are the perfect way to keep boredom at bay or to unwind at the end of a long week. Teens must register in advance here https://https://https://bhbpl.libcal.com/event/7016911 to reserve the November 9 kit for pickup at the Central Library starting at 3 pm on Sunday, November 1 (one week prior to the kit being available.)



Kit pickup will take place during Sidewalk Service hours (Monday-Thursday, 9 am to 6 pm; Friday and Saturday 9 am to 1 pm.) Kits must be picked up during the week for which they are reserved. Any late pickups must be arranged with either the Teen Librarian, Christany Edwards, or any of the Children's Library staff. Due to limited supply, there are only 50 kits available every two weeks. Consequently, teens can only register for a maximum of four kits per family within a single reservation. If event registration is full, teens can download the bi-weekly kit instructions from the Teen Library website at https://hbpl.libguides.com/teens.

This week's kit will honor International Games Week by celebrating the educational, recreational and social value of board games. Plus, on **Friday, November 13 at 3:30 pm**, teens are invited to join their peers in the **HBPL TeenSpace Discord** server for some online multiplayer games and fun.

Library Services Department



Join the **Friends of the Huntington Beach Public Library** on **Thursday, November 5, at 4 pm** for a live Zoom talk with **prolific author Jan Moran** to discuss all of her latest books, including the compelling novel <u>The Chocolatier</u>. This is the story of a young widow and the husband she thought she knew – set in the picturesque Italian coast of Amalfi in 1953. Also featured are <u>The Winemakers</u>, and the newest installment of the popular Summer Beach Trilogy, <u>Coral Cottage</u>. Registration for this free event at <u>www.fothb.org</u>.



Now that school is back in session, with so many new things to learn, students of all ages will undoubtedly need help with their homework assignments. Help is available now for kids struggling in subjects like math, spelling, writing

and reading via the **Brainfuse Help Now** online homework service, complete with live tutors, skill-building resources and a 24/7 homework question help center! In addition to assistance with school subjects, there are even essay review and practice test services. All that's needed to take advantage of these helpful resources is a library card. **Click here to sign in!**

Library Services Department

The **Children's Department** is proud to offer two different levels of **STEMup4 Youth Coding Classes**, starting on **Saturday**, **November 7**. The beginner's class will run from 2 to 2:45 pm, with the intermediate class right afterwards from 3 to 3:45 pm. These four-week online courses are for students ages 8-12 and will take place **once a** week **on Saturdays until December 5**.



In the beginner's scratch coding class, students will learn basic videos, coding interactions and games. The intermediate class will explore coding stories, interactive texts and more complex games.



Registration is required, as there are a limited amount of seats available. Register for the beginner's class by visiting https://hbpl.libcal.com/event/7198792. The event URL will be sent to the e-mail provided during registration.

The Friends of the Children's Library are proud to present the 2020 Children's Writing & Illustrating Contest. This year, children of all ages are asked to imagine what they would do if they or their story's character were to find a mysterious package on their doorstep. What happens? Would they shake it? Is there something moving inside? Once opened, what adventures are hiding? Are they funny? Scary? Dangerous? Mischievous? Is it something from the past, present or future? To enter, children must write or illustrate a story about this SPECIAL DELIVERY, being sure to use all of their senses. Contest entries are due to the Central Library Children's Desk by 4 pm Saturday,



December 19, 2020, and the entry form can be picked up from either the Central Library or by downloading and printing it at home from www.fotcl.org. Winners will receive a Barnes & Noble gift card and a certificate.

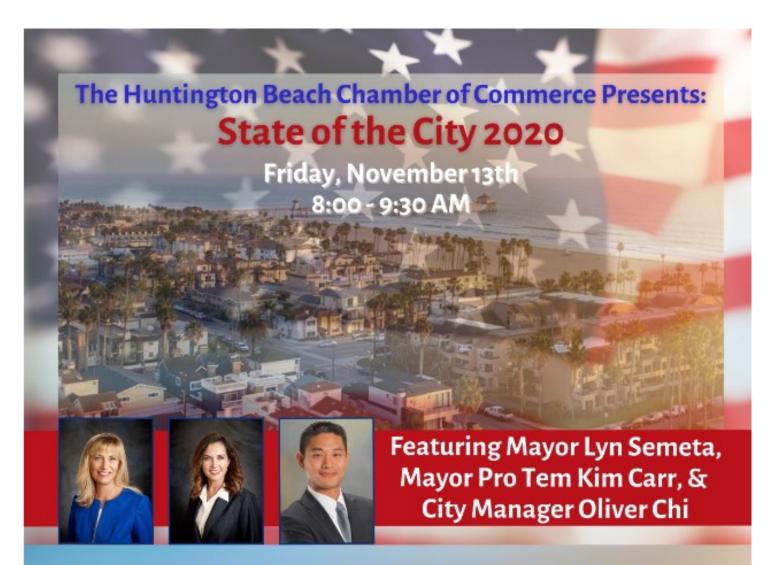
Fire Department

Are You Prepared to Evacuate in an Emergency?

During the Silverado fires, many residents had to flee immediately. We have received questions and have witnessed residents that are not prepared in the event of an emergency. This does not only apply to a fire but earthquakes, tsunamis, flooding and other disasters that require residents to leave at a moment's notice. Please make sure that you are signed up on AlertOC.com, so you can you receive emergency messages and take the time to watch a short video prepared by our Community Emergency Response Team on Grab & Go Bags. Check out these links to emergency preparedness checklists and kits, so you know what you need in case you have to leave!

Grab & Go Bag Video - https://youtu.be/mdAa-wySLsM
CERT Grab & Go Bag Recommendations - http://ow.ly/ZPIH50C57jV
Ready O.C. Kit - http://ow.ly/wiBz50C57jT
Ready Gov Kit - http://ow.ly/sPNT50C57jW
HB Cert Website - http://ow.ly/WL7P50C57jU





Registration - 7:30 AM Program begins - 8:00 AM City Hall 2000 Main St Huntington Beach 92648

\$20 for Members \$25 for Non-Members

SEATING IS LIMITED

Reserve your seat online at www.hbchamber.com or by phone at (714) 536-8888.



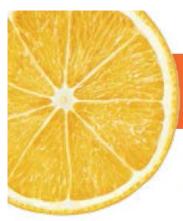




WHAT CAN RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES EXPECT IN 2021?

Please join Mayor Lyn Semeta, Mayor Pro Tem Kim Carr and City Manager Oliver Chi at the State of the City 2020! Our Guest Speakers will reflect on the City's accomplishments from the past year and discuss the current state of Huntington Beach. They will also present upcoming projects, address challenges and opportunities, and give us a glimpse of what's ahead for the business community and its residents. Coffee and pastries will be provided for attendees, courtesy of Duck Donuts.

Sponsorship opportunities available. Contact Tina Figarsky at tfigarsky@hbcoc.com



Save Your Community's Citrus

A Deadly Plant Disease and Dangerous Pest Have Been Found in California

The California citrus we all know and love is at risk. A devastating plant disease called Huanglongbing, also known as HLB or citrus greening, has been found in Southern California. HLB kills citrus trees and there is no cure. Diseased trees produce bitter, hard and lopsided fruit, and eventually die. The disease is spread by a pest called the Asian citrus psyllid as it feeds from tree to tree. Psyllids are small, about the size of an aphid, and can be seen on the small, tender, new leaves of citrus trees. The best way to protect California citrus from the disease is to stop the spread of the pest.



We All Play a Critical Role:

- Inspect your citrus trees monthly for the pest and disease.
- Do not move citrus plants, leaves or foliage in or out of your community, or across state or international borders.
- Cooperate with agriculture crews placing traps, inspecting trees and treating for the pest.
- Talk to your local nursery or garden center about products that can protect your tree from the Asian citrus psyllid.
- Plant citrus trees from reputable, licensed nurseries in your area.
- When grafting trees, only buy registered budwood with source documentation.
- Control ants on your citrus trees. Ants interfere with beneficial insects and actually protect the Asian citrus psyllid. Talk to your local nursery about ant bait that can help.
- If you no longer wish to care for your citrus tree, consider removing it so it does not become a host to the pest and disease.
- If you suspect your tree has the psyllid or disease, act fast! Call the California Department of Food and Agriculture at 800-491-1899.









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City Hall Directory

Helpline City Attorney City Clerk	(714) 536-5511 (714) 536-5555 (714) 536-5227
Passports	(714) 374-1600
City Council	(714) 536-5553
City Manager	(714) 536-5202
Community Services	(714) 536-5486
Beach Operations	(714) 536-5281
Business Development	(714) 536-5582
Finance Department	(714) 536-5630
Business Licenses	(714) 536-5267
Fire Department	(714) 536-5411
Human Resources	(714) 536-5492
Information Services	(714) 536-5515
Library Services	(714) 842-4481
Community Development	(714) 536-5271
Code Enforcement	(714) 375-5155
Police Department	(714) 960-8811
Public Works	(714) 536-5431
Graffiti Removal	(714) 960-8861



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